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Docket No.: SCEI 3.0-103 (PATENT)

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In re Patent Application of: Muneki Shimada

Application No.: 10/003,620

Group Art Unit: 2142

Filed: November 2, 2001

Examiner: R. B. Harrell

For: SYSTEM FOR TRANSMITTING PROGRAM CONTENT DATA ACCORDING TO USER PRIORITY OR NETWORK CONGESTION

STATUS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2005, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. Claims 17-46 remain pending in the application.

In the Official Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I, claims 17-25, drawn to an entertainment system.

Group II, claims 26-30, drawn to a data server.

Group III, claims 31-46, drawn to a method and machine readable recording medium for distribution content data.

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In response, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 17-25. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-elected claims.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Dated: December 27, 2005

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